

Panel on Housing**List of follow-up actions**

(position as at 1 February 2018)

Subject	Date of meeting	Follow-up action required	Administration's response
1. Briefing by the Secretary for Transport and Housing on the Chief Executive's 2017 Policy Address	30.10.2017	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) the number of public rental housing ("PRH") applicants on the Waiting List ("WL") who had been waiting for more than three years and had not been provided the first flat offer;</p> <p>(b) with statistics/figures, the circulation of PRH flats in the past five years, and how the relevant existing policies, including but not limited to Home Ownership Scheme, Tenant Purchase Scheme, Marking Scheme for Estate Management Enforcement in Public Housing Estates, policies on tackling under-occupation in PRH estates, Well-off Tenants Policies/revised Well-off Tenants Policies, facilitated/affected the circulation of PRH flats;</p> <p>(c) the average time taken between surrender of a PRH unit by the sitting tenant and reallocation of the PRH unit to a WL applicant;</p>	Response awaited

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		<p>(d) whether the Hong Kong Housing Authority ("HA") could choose not to implement the initiative of regularizing the Green Form Subsidized Home Ownership Scheme ("GSH") in the Policy Address after considering the relevant details/reviewing the scheme; at what time HA/the Administration would decide the ratio between the supply of PRH units and GSH flats; and</p> <p>(e) with respect to the concern that purchasers of GSH flats would be those tenants of small PRH units who wished to move to flats of larger sizes and hence the PRH units surrendered by GSH flat purchasers for reallocation to WL applicants would be smaller ones, how the Administration would address the above concern in its planning for the production of PRH to cater for households of different sizes.</p>	
<p>2. Head 711 project no. B189TB - Extension of footbridge and cycle parking area at Choi Yuen Road, Sheung Shui</p>	<p>6.11.2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) whether the Administration would provide two-storey cycle parking under the proposed project to provide more cycle parking spaces; if yes, the details; if no, the reasons;</p>	<p>The Administration's response was circulated vide paragraphs 57 to 59 of LC Paper No. CB(1)437/17-18 on 8 January 2018.</p>

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		<p>(b) whether it was practicable for the Administration to link up (such as in the form of deck) the proposed public housing development (i.e. Po Shek Wu Estate)/footbridge with the Sheung Shui MTR Station so as to provide a grade-separated pedestrian connection between the Estate and the MTR station and enhance pedestrian circulation; if yes, the details; if no, the reasons; and</p> <p>(c) the technical studies/assessments on whether it was practicable for the Administration to provide a cover to the at-grade pedestrian walkway/footpath between the proposed footbridge/future footbridge system and the Sheung Shui MTR Station.</p>	
<p>3. Public Housing Construction Programme 2017-18 to 2021-22 and Challenges and difficulties in taking forward public housing development projects</p>	<p>4.12.2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) details on land plots, if any, which had originally been earmarked for private housing developments before being designated for the Hong Kong Housing Authority ("HA") to provide public housing;</p> <p>(b) with copy of the relevant information, if any, posted on HA's website, the proportion of the public rental housing ("PRH") applicants who were housed to PRH in the past few years (say, three to five years)</p>	<p>Response awaited</p>

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		<p>and their waiting time was three years or less;</p> <p>(c) the Administration's response to the following suggestions/questions –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) adjust the split between new public and private housing supply from the current ratio of 60:40 to 70:30 so that 10% of the new housing supply might be converted into Green Form Subsidized Home Ownership Scheme ("GSH") units in future with the current target for public housing units (which were not GSH units) maintained at 60% of the new housing supply;(ii) whether and when the Administration/HA would achieve its target of providing the first flat offer to general PRH applicants at three years on average; and(iii) the Administration should provide in collaboration with HA public housing at the spade-ready sites in urban areas resumed by the Urban Renewal Authority.	

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<p>4. Testing of drinking water of public rental housing estates under the Enhanced Water Quality Monitoring Programme and the latest progress of the follow-up actions in respect of the excess-lead-in-water incident</p>	<p>4.12.2017</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide, with respect to the enquiry about the seriousness of the problem of excess lead in drinking water found in the excess-lead-in-water incident, the relevant results of the water sampling tests that had been conducted for the concerned public rental housing estates, including details about the water sample(s) with excess lead and the water sample(s) which recorded the highest content of lead (in micrograms per litre).</p>	<p>Response awaited</p>
<p>5. Long Term Housing Strategy Annual Progress Report 2017</p>	<p>9.1.2018</p>	<p>The Administration was requested to provide the following information:</p> <p>(a) whether the Administration would provide assistance to public rental housing applicants on the Waiting List who had been waiting for three years or above and had not been provided the first flat offer, in order to help them cope with the high flat rentals, if yes, the details; if no, the reasons;</p> <p>(b) whether the Administration would provide rent assistance to the inadequately housed households (the total of which was estimated to have exceeded 110 000), if yes, the details; if no, the reasons;</p>	

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		<p>(c) the Administration's response to the following suggestions –</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="952 438 1736 821">(i) the Administration should use idle sites including restored landfills (such as Kwai Chung Park and those in Tseung Kwan O) to re-provision the facilities on the lands which were held under private recreational leases (such as clubs, golf courses) and were suitable for housing development, so that the lands released after the re-provisioning could be used for providing housing; and<li data-bbox="952 869 1736 1340">(ii) in planning a public housing project, the Administration should spearhead efforts across Government bureaux/departments to roll out comprehensive plans covering not only the provision of housing units but also development of/improvements to the community, transport and other ancillary facilities in the area concerned so that the local community would consider that taking forward the plans would bring about enhancements to the community and hence support the project.	